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SENSE IN WAR CHARTIY

Gen. Carrol A. De Vol, acting chief Serbian relief committee a few sufferers in the war zone.

General De Vol suggested that exsions of one sort were sent.

ate relief was what was most needed. urgent. They met with a ready repressing, and there is no longer need then she was sunk. of the wild scramble to aid one country, followed by the entire diversion different from torpedoing a ship ter of tonnage and earnings, and mad rush to help a third.

calm study the Red Cross is giving not know it. He simply indulged the some of the maintenance and imwhich would render the most effec- sel in those waters was a proper sub- so long. They are safe enough in tive assistance would do well to act ject for German assault. This is a placing their orders because it is upon the advice of that organization.

WARSHIP ELECTRIC POWER

After convincing tests with the collier Jupiter, fitted with huge spect of the American people and on electric motors for driving the ship, the Navy Department has decided sea have caused war. The performwe want in the new superdreadnaught California, to be laid down next summer in the New York navy yard.

The United States navy is the first sea innovation in big warships. The only momentous innovation first Merrimac the world's navies owe the hastened development of ironclads and armor plate fortresses affoat.

The American navy possessed the first successful submarine. The genfor an all-big-gun ship long before the British dreadnaught was announced with its epochal results. Today our submarine service is outranked by Great Britain, Germany, and France. Russia is on a par with us and Japan is overhauling us fast. In the most modern of ironclads we are as hopelessly outclassed.

Is the same story to be repeated in the development of the electrically driven ship?

After having proved the worth of such an installation are we to let the other navies reap the benefit of States sells supplies to Germany's tide has decidedly turned for the along, shifting from one method to stroy American ships and lives until fewer failures in April than in Janthe experiment while we dawdle another? Here is a chance for the United States is terrorized into uary, and considerably fewer than in American navy to keep abreast of stopping it. On that proposition March. the times in respect of one thing at alone can Germany sustain the pro-

THE CHARITIES CRISIS

More than a score of Washington's most useful and efficient charities are confronted with a deficit for not declare war. the first time this spring. Among those so affected are settlement houses, missions, diet kitchens, and avowal, and reparation, as in the upon us. The world's gold is like various homes.

tion is not at all a reflection of hard be that Germany is deliberately de- make business navigation safe; if it times. It is the result of the generous contributions to war sufferers. No one begrudges those contributions; but many of the givers may room for doubt; of the purpose to from their source. Gold in Europe see that, in transferring their gifts carry it to the extent of forcing gets a better chance to do real work to another cause, they were leaving war, there must be doubt unless for the whole business world, just home charities with unpaid bills. it shall be assumed that the Berlin now, than gold in the United States. Their consciences were satisfied, they government has become bereft of gave as much as ever before, and reason.

It is not so important that we shall Bernhardt will be seen in her film success. "The Romance of an Actress," decimal immediately get gold in payment of pletting the trace career of Adrienne gave as much as ever before, and reason. they gave to what they believed the most urgent demand. But all that does not help the institutions which

had depended upon them for support. affected. Baltimore found itself in the present moment is most propi- with us by dint of keeping their will a similar plight and took steps to-ward retrenching its institutions by world has learned that Germany is there ought to be methods by which ward retrenching its institutions by world has learned that Germany is there ought to be methods by which a city-wide collection. It is ex- so circumstanced that she can de- they may accomplish it. We can each day include the Strand Topical tremely doubtful if such a plan liver on land blows as terrible as get along without it for awhile; they by the Strand Symphony Orchestra. would be effective here now, after a her enemies, and that the end of the cannot. winter of tag days, donation week war is farther off than was believed collections, and raising miles of pen- possible. Germany has added to her nies for the Belgians.

and the nature of the procedure will Galicia, and her forces are overbe discussed at the Conference of running a part of Russia's Baltic Charities and Corrections in Balti- provinces. Even the Turks have exmore this month. Other cities face acted enormous tolls of the Anglothe same situation and a general French forces operating against the method of relief, applicable to all Dardanelles. tribution, to reduce the friction of sword were unsheathed while her pagne on a vessel's prow.

collection by making only one ap- prospective enemies were moving peal to givers, and by eliminating from victory to victory. institutions which trespass upon others doing a similar service.

THE GULFLIGHT AFFAIR

is entirely unimportant, even immaof a belligerent warship to dispose tax severely the resources of all her case it is not possible to send the achieved, but Italy's assistance of the American Red Cross, gave the ship under a prize crew into a home port of the belligerent, is a very difwords of timely advice yesterday ferent thing from sending a ship to tion would be commensurate to her that would apply to others who are the bottom, not knowing her charequally anxious to minister to the acter, cargo, or anything else about

In the case of the Gulflight, the act specifications of the needs of the facts were entirely different from Italy to cast her lot with the allies, suffering peoples be learned before those in the case of the William P. viewed from the standpoint of Italsupplies are sent abroad. To do this Frye. The Frye was stopped and ian national aspirations. Italy's hour will relieve those handling relief sup- searched. Her papers were examined, is striking. plies of much embarrassment. It It was found that she was carrying will prevent criticisms when it is wheat to a British port. The wheat learned that too many tents, or too being at least conditional contramany blankets, or too many provi- band, the German commander tried to get it shoveled into the ocean; but In early days of the war immedi- that was impracticable because it required too much time, and there was The calls that came then were danger of a British cruiser coming along and sinking the Eitel. So the sponse. But the situation now has Frye's crew were taken off, with all fact remains that Wall Street is still become more uniform, though just as her papers and business affairs, and

This proceeding was altogether of interest to another, and then a without notice or warning. No they are, as was to be expected un-What is most needed is the sort of band, the German commander could erous spenders. They need to do the entire field, and organizations assumption that any American ves- provement work that was neglected doctrine which the United States Less vicious attacks on the self-rethe rights of the American flag at that the electric drive is just what ance of the German submarine-if reported-was both piracy and mur-

It must be kept clearly in mind that dealings in contraband of war ter, every day, for the American in the world to experiment with this are not criminal. No moral obloquy munitions manufacturers, despite attaches to blockade running-even that she cannot buy their wares. electric drive, however, is not the when a real blockade has been established. It is a risky business; but ahead when the agricultural product adopted by the American navy. To it is not immoral. The neutral peo- of 1915 will begin to move. Wheat it is not immoral. The neutral people engaged in it are not liable to punishment if captured by a belligerent. The whole purpose of the blockade is to prevent property being placed at the disposal of the enemy; and the blockader's rights enemy; the fight between the Monitor and ple engaged in it are not liable to harvest in the Southwest begins eral board of the navy had plans end with the seizure, if necessary the movement., From the day when the destruction, of the property. He has first carload of the new crop is anno business destroying life. It is the life of people who are commit- Texas, there will be a steady inting no crime.

> cannot conceivably be defended by constantly by other crops as they the Berlin government, or permitted come in. by Washington, unless Berlin is to assert, and Washington to admit, just now, however, domestic business that any American ship, anywhere, is vastly more significant. In April is a proper victim for any German the number of business failures war vessel. There is only one pos- showed a healthy decrease in numsible defense for Germany's action: ber, which while not so great as had the flat avowal that, as the United been hoped, yet indicated that the and Babette, Ben Welch, and Grace de enemies, Germany proposes to de- better. There were 27.5 per cent

than a defiance of the United States; require to be guarded against. Talk it is daring this country to declare of heavy gold importations impendwar; it is branding this country as ing suggests the further danger of hopelessly pusillanimous if it does such a condition. It is very doubt-

THIS IS ITALY'S HOUR

victory in Flanders a successful of-But some measures must be taken fensive on a sixty-mile front in

of them, may be worked out. At Italy does not want to strike at a such a time the plan of Cleveland for foe already down. Such an act phone. a central charities' committee, agi- would win her little from the allies, tated here last winter, may be wel- and still less in the estimate that come. Such a committee is said to history will place upon her conduct. sors at launchings is they couldn't be insure the highest efficiency in dis- But there could be no criticism if her induced to waste a bottle of cham-

Italy may hold the balance of power. The millions she could put immediately into the field would make far shorter work of the campaign in the east, and it would seem Even if it be conceded that the that Austria soon might be elimisteamship Gulflight was carrying nated if Italy's strength were hurled contraband of war when she was at her rear, though there is less sunk off the Scilly Islands, that fact ground for hoping that Germany would be as quickly overcome. The would be of invaluable worth to the allied powers, and Italy's compensa-

There is no security for Italy with victorious Austria. There is sound reason and sufficient justification for

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK

Wall Street is a good deal berated for its disposition to rush to extremes over the "war stocks," as they are being called; that is, securities of industrials that may have, or be in position to get, contracts for war supplies for Europe. But the -or rather, once more-a pretty good barometer of business. The railroads are looking up in the matmatter if she was carrying contra- der the circumstances, proving gennow too plain that their business is has never admitted, and one that no going to be increasingly satisfaccivilized power has ever assumed. tory, barring the entirely unex-

The day-by-day news from Europe has recently impressed powerfully the realization that the war is indeed beginning in May. Germany is giving a demonstration of power and preparedness more striking even than any in the first period of the conflict. She is making business bet-

The time is only a few weeks nounced from some country town in crease in the volume of the move-

Important as is the foreign trade

Money is plenty; so plenty indeed ceeding of her submarine commander. | that there have been warnings of the That proposition is nothing less danger that a period of inflation may ful if it would be to the advantage of Germany will not go to that ex- American business to have a great tent. There will be some sort of dis- addition to our gold stock poured in Frye case there was reparation. The the ocean; it needs to be pretty Charity workers say this condi- only possible alternative to this must equitably distributed in order to termined to nag the United States gets into undue agitation tidal waves may be induced, that are dis-Of the nagging, there is no longer astrous in their effects a long way the vast trade balance; it is important that we shall continue sending our products abroad, and piling up D'Annunzio's poet If Italy intends to enter Europe's more and more credits there. If the will be

Drinking is one vice which Vice Admiral Jellicoe refuses to counten-

Time to inform Doc Wiley that a lot of our restaurant keepers pronounce poor and pure exactly alike.

Wouldn't be so bad if a statesman with a good record didn't always insist on keeping it on the grapho-

Reason why men are never spon-

Plays and Players at Capital Theaters This Week

B. F. KEITH'S.

Setting against the primitive argument terial, if it be true that she was vastness of the task of reducing that of war the accumulated reason of civworth at Keith's this week. Whether the play that Nazimova pre-

one of the most convincing and easily understood combinations of a big idea with a series of dramatic situations that include most of the greater human emotions.

The providing art as well as measure of attention to its qualities of comedy as well as of melody.

In fact, in these latter day repetitions of "Robin Hood," one has been in dangered.

be the highest development or man, of the arts, the knitting together of the one ends and the other begins,

so unmistakably that it cannot be es-caped. And the combination of the statements of the disease and the cure are so artistically interwoven that the whole thing soars far above any propa-ganda play that has been presented in Washington for a generation. It ap-

proaches real drama.

Nazimova isn't Nazimova in "War
Brides"—she is Joan. If one were to
utilize all the powers of description and analysis the average human being can command, there could be found no more completely encompassing statement of the actress' work than this. The actress is the character she assumes in the fullest sense. At no time does she show the allest sense artificiality. the slightest artificiality. At no time are any of the artifices of the stage apparent. She makes the character of the saddened, maddened woman rea

mother, and Edith Speare, as a light-hearted young war bride, who did not realize what she was doing, fitted perfectly into the picture the star was drawing. Charles Bryant, William Hasson, and Mr. Brown provided the male roles to the satisfaction of the audience.

Last night a large delegation from

The German course in this case ment. This will be supplemented the Woman's Peace Party attended the and during the intermission Miss Fola La Follette made a brief address to the audience, inviting women to join the party. vaudeville bill provided as relief

from the tensity of feeling aroused by "War Brides," includes a number of interesting features, prominent among which are Dave Schooler and Louise Dickinson in a musical number; Eddie Carr and company in "The New Office the Friedowsky troupe of Rus GARDNER MACK.

GAYETY.

The season of burlesque at the Gayety is being brought to a close this week by Harry Hastings' "Big Show." The entertainment provided consists of a two-act burlesque in which a number of specialties are introduced. Dane Coleman, an Irish comedian of ability. heads the company and won many His female characterization in the second act was particularly clever. Eileer Sheridan, Alma Bauer, and Hazel Lorraine head the feminine contingent and each has a number of good songs. Other members of the company include Peters, Palmer Hines, Jack and ly Evans, and Anna Connors. The chorus and the scenery are not up to the Gayety standard.

MOORE'S STRAND.

Robert Edeson was seen at his best in the film version of "The Absentee," at Moore's Strand Theater, yesterday, before capacity audiences. Mr. Edeson appeared in the role of a young American with a large fortune, who devo his fellow-men. Today Mme. Sarah picting the tragic career of Adrienne Lecouvre, who captivated the heart of Louis XIV of France. Tomorrow and Thursday Gabriel

D'Annunzio's poetic photo-spectacle, "Cabiria," will be seen again. There no raise in the prices at the William S. Hart, Rhea Mitchell, and

CRANDALL'S.

ment" was presented before capacity louses yesterday at Crandall's Theater when Annette Kellermann was seen in the aquatic film fairy story, "Neptune's Daughter." The film was written by Leslie T. Peacock and was staged by Herbert Brenon. The beauty of the story, the unusual scenes afforded by the Bermuda Islands, with their coral reefs, submarine grottoes, verdure make an original and diverting

miss Kellermann has many opportuni-Miss Kenerman ties to display her acting, ability in this drama, and prove that she is a splendid actress, a graceful dancer, and an expert swordswoman. An excellent comof 30 players are seen in the support of will be the feature attraction again |

NATIONAL.

The perennial argument that musical torpedoed without notice and without country is greater than any imagined ilization, motherhood makes a peace entertainments are not what they were knowledge of the facts. The right when the war began, and bids fair to plea that is powerful, direct and almost of yore returned to the National last unanswerable in the combination of ex- evening. And a goodly sprinkling of the quisite acting and tense drama pre-elder generation were there to have of a contraband cargo in this way, in antagonists, before it should be sented by Nazimova and company in their youthful enthusiasms renewed by "War Brides," by Marion Craig Went- the singing of "Robin Hood" by the Aborn Opera Company.

Not in previous productions by the sents is approached as a drama or a bit of skillfully constructed propaganda, revivals, has the masterplece of De its interpretation nevertheless stands out as one of the most remarkable exhibitions of the acting art as well as one of the most sent as well as one of the most sent part as well as one of the most sent part as well as one of the most sent part as well as one of the most sent part and sent part as well as one of the most sent part as well as one of the most sent part as well as one of the most sent part as well as one of the most sent part as well as one of the most sent part as well as one of the most sent part as well as one of the most sent part as well as one of the most part

The careful fusing of the spiritual ger of forgetting that its satire some-times approached the rarity of a Gil-the highest development of many bert-Sullivan production, and that the likeness of the Sheriff of Nottingham to a municipal grafter almost parallels the latter day applications of Sir Joseph

the various armies, battleships, and hillip Sheffield willitary air craft, is given by cockney coachman. the motion pictures which are being shown at the Belasco each afternoon

shown at the Belasco each afternoon and evening this week. Actual battle scenes are portrayed with a remarkable realism, the exact coloring of the films making possible features never before seen in the Na-

played such an important part in the The Kinemacolor invention, the deice making possible the actual color of

the scenes on the screen, makes this offering of motion pictures, depicting war views exceptionally interesting and

GARDEN.

Garden Theater yesterday was "The pass him. Lone Star Rush," adapted from the novel by Edmund Mitchell. It proved ability of a company of actors and

Thursday. Mae Marsh and Robert Harron will be seen Friday and Satur-shape until the husband and wife meet, day in the Mutual Master Picture "The patch up their differences, and decide Victim," which to a certain extent is a sequel to "The Outcast." Miss Marsh Miss Marsh has a role that fits her wistful person-ality and Mr. Harron is also seen to advantage. entirely and completely visualized the trusting young sister who permitted her brother to influence her life up to a

COSMOS.

A bill of varied entertainment is presented at the Cosmos Theater this week including six vaudeville acts and Charlle Chaplin in his latest photoplay, "By The bill opens with a novelty by the Guzimani Troupe of athletes and alancing, on large golden balls, which are kept in motion

Harry and Anna Mae Seymour won generous applause for their songs, dancing and a clever Anna Held imitation by Miss Seymour. Frank Morrel sings some pretty tenor sentimental songs and versation. Ernest Foremen and versation. Ernest Foremen and pany have an excellent comedy, "The Danger Point," with a surprise finish: Clayton and Lennie present a good English characterization with a slapent and Carlos Caesari, "the human cost and Carlos Caesari, "the human cost and Carlos Caesari," man gyroscope," performs some as-tonishing feats of strength and skill Thursday at the matinees the bill will be changed.

CASINO.

Morris and Wilson, in the comedy David Rines. with songs, "The Morning Rehearsal, and Symonds and Weston, in a romping mixture of songs, dialogue and comedy, ran a close race for first honors at the Casino Theater yesterday Washington is not the only city so war as an ally of the triple entente, foreigners can do more business Strand Theater during this engage. The scene of the first is in the dressing room of a mus'cal comedy company between a breezy stout girl, who
to Fraternity during the coming year, will
be named next Saturday when that orbe name breezy skit with amusing situations

and sharp reparted. Another laughabl laughable number is furshed by Bert Whee'er and company with a remarkable automobile in "Fun on the Boulevard." The America Comedy Four offer well sung songs and some vigorous comedy. Leonardi, the musical comedian, opens the bill with a violin offering followed by Hawaiian music the gutar.
The feature photoplay presents Mabel

Tal aferro in the delightful comedy. The Three of Us."

William McK. Clayton

the Columbia Heights Citizens' Association in the chapel of Calvary Metaodist Episcopal Church, Columbia road,
between Fourteenth and Fifteentn
streets, tonight.

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COLUMBIA.

Viewed from one aspect, the presentation of "Bright Eyes" at the Columbia last night was the most notable success yet scored by the Columbia Musical Comedy Company.

The vehicle was nothing more than a semi-connected variety show, with music only moderately bright, the players nevertheless held the interest of the house, and, through the interjection of 'local color' by means of various duologues, won their usual quota of ap-

Eleanor Henry, as charming as usual in the leading role; Harry Short, the omedian; Lenore Novasion and Lucille Saunders "put it across" with the aid of a remarkably well schooled chorus. As for the rest of the company, they undoubtedly caught the spirit of the comedy-but there was nothing for them

art and nature to present a composite picture that gives no ciue as to where the one ends and the other begins, seems to be intensined in this combination of artistic players and play. And in this one fact lies the green that the seems to be intensined in this combination of artistic players and play. And in this one fact lies the green that the seems to be intensined in this one fact lies the green that the seems to be intensined in this combination of a green that some provision might be made from which the war will winten that some provision might be made from which the war will winten that some provision might be made from which the war will winten that some provision might be made from which the war will winten that some provision might be made from which the war will winten that some provision might be made from which the war will winten that some provision might be made from which the war will winten that some provision might be made from which the war will winten that some provision might be made from which the war will winten that some provision might be made from which the war will winten that some provision might be made from which the war will winten that some provision might be made from which the war will winten that the second Briefly, the production outlines the rather amazing adventures of Dorothy

European war sone, including views of Yore," in which there were some splen-

POLI'S.

with both the farce and the satire de tional Capital.

The pictures give views of submaveloped to the highest power by the rines, destroyers, Zeppelins, Taubes, ability of the men and women interbiplanes, and the big guns which have preting it, is "Nearly Married," by Edgar Selwyn, which the Poli Players pre sent this week.

In this week's production the entire company is called upon to produce laughs by giving an even impetus to the swift-rolling ball of complications the farce provides. Every member of the company is called upon to give his or her shove to the plot as it passes and to put into that shove just the The principal attraction at Moore's next party, but not enough to make it It is one of the best tests of the

wold actresses to give a well-balanced per-

Chambers' drama "A Modern Magdalen." This is the first of Mr. Chambers' dramatic works to be filmed and
it supplies Miss Countiss and Mr.
Barrymore with many opportunities.
"Should A Woman Divorce," featuring the foreign stars Leonid Samoloff
and Lea Leland will be the attraction
on Thursday. Mae Marsh and Robert

divorced, and eleping couple who formed the central figures of the play.
"Nearly Married" tells the story of a
young woman with a younger brother,
who endeavors to make his first case
as a lawyer a divorce case, and to
separate his sister from her husband.
He provides most of the reasons for
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to elope.

Maud Gilbert in the part of the wife, certain point, but then assumed charge her own affairs and determined was the much harassed hus band who didn't want a divorce, and showed it very piainly.

The production was excellent, the entire company being well cast.

Mrs. Adolph Kahn Heads Jewish Women's Alliance

The Washington Alliance of Jewish Women will be agein headed by Mrs. Adolph Kahn, who last night was reelected president of the organization at a meeting in the vestry of Eighth Street Temple.

Other officers elected were: First Vice President, Mrs. J. S. Kann; second vice president, Mrs. Charles Goldsmith; corresponding secretary. Mrs. Alexander recording secretary, Miss Marguerite Kaufman; treasurer, Mrs. 1 Newman; auditor, Mrs. Lee Baumgar-

The following directors were chosen Mrs. A. M. Baer, Mrs. Levi David, Miss lda Friedberger, Mrs. Isidor Grosner, Joel Hillman, Mrs. James Lansburgh., Mrs. Harold Levi, Mrs. S.mon Mrs. Samuel P. Pack and Mrs.

Delta Tau Delta Men Will Elect Officers

the local chapter house, 1810 N street

orthwest.

The meeting also will possess the nature of a celebration of the installation of the installation of the installation of the inversary of the installation of the ture of a celebration of the twelfth an-Etta Chapter in Columbi orge Washington University. A delegate also will be chosen to represent the Washington Alumni Chapter at the San Francisco Karnea next Au-

150 Boy Scouts Assist Serbian Relief Campaign

To Address Citizens participated yesterday in the dis-William McK. Clayton, of the Bright- the public to support the American Red wood Citizens' Association, will address Cross units of eight surgeons and twenty-four nurses engaged in fighting

typhus fight in Serbia.

MAIL BAG

(From The Times' Readers.)

Communications to the Mail Bag must be written on one side of the paper only: must not exceed 200 words in length, and must be signed with name and address of the sender. The publication of letters in The Times' Mail Bag does not mean the indorsement by The Times of the opinions of the writer. The Mail Bag is an open forum, where the citizens of Washington can argue most questions.

Praises Judge Pugh For Stand in Ainsmith Case.

o the Editor of THE TIMES: Judge Pugh is deserving of unstinted praise for his action in the case of Catcher Ainsmith, of the Washington

When it was first learned that the baseball player had been given a thirtyday sentence many thought it was too even thinkers must have come to the conclusion that the court was well with-in its rights. Alnsmith and Engel, two trained athletes, had "beat up" a cititrained athletes, had "beat up" a citizen Waiting for several days before granting probation had a good effect.
Ball players must be brought to an understanding that they are nothing more or less than ordinary citizens when off the playing field. As all characters in the public eye, ball players must stand for the severest sort of criticism when in the limelight. This should teach them to master self-conshould teach them to master self-con-trol to such an extent that they would not "fly off the handle" on the streets. In making it plain to Ainsmith that his status as a player had no bearing on the assault, Judge Pugh put over a ruling that should have a most beneruling that should have a most bene-ficial effect on any of his fellow-players who think that they are immune bewho think that they are immune be-cause for a few years of their lives are to play baseball. they are to play baseba Washington. April 29.

Urges Mr. Weeley to Study Laws. o the Editor of THE TIMES

Mr. Weeley, who claims as proof that South Carolina protects women, the fact that a seat in a car is given to her. should look at something real and sensi-ble-he should study the laws which a few years ago were about to give the children of a drunken father to the paternal grandfather, deprive the wife and mother, who was a good woman, of them all, on the ground that the father slone had any rights to the children of marriage.
The mother was obliged to go to the

courts sutside of South Carolina to get a right to care for her own children. In Virginia today the father has the sole right and authority over the chil-dren. VIRGINIA. dren. Washington, May 3.

Ask Questions on Adoption of Children. To the Editor of THE TIMES:

Will some reader kindly answer the following question in regard to the adoption of a child by a resident of the District of Columbia:

How long may a person legally keep a child before the legal adoption, and is it possible to keep the child for a length of time and then return it to the

institution from which it was taken? MRS. J. A. H.

FOR CAPITAL TODAY

Illustrated lecture, benefit of wounded Russian soldiers, Mme, de Meissner, Washington Club. 11 a. m. Hearing. Industrial Relations Committee. Shoreham, 10 a. m. to be a tale of the Australian gold actresses to give a well-balanced perfield and treated of man's inhumanity tormance, to be called upon to do this, to man in the mad quest for gold, and the Poli Players prove themselves. Today and tomorrow Katherine just that in the careful way each of Countiss and Lionel Barrymore will be seen in a film version of C. Haddon cumulation of troubles for the married, divorced, and cloping couple who formal meeting of District Federation of Chambers' drama "A Modern Magda-" Club, Church of Our Father, 5 p. m. Annual meeting of District Federation of Women's Clubs, Eighth Street Temple, 10 a. m.

'ircus, Men's Ciub of St. Stephen's Chur L.

Fourteenth street and Columbia road northwest, S. p. m.

Lecture, "Success Factors," Dr. C. F. Winbigler, ball room, Cairo, S. p. m.

Lear because Home Club, 14 Jackson place

bigler, ball room, Cairo, 8 p. m.

Open house, Home Club, 14 Jackson place northwest, 8 p. m.

Meeting, Teachers' Study Club, west study room, Public Library, 1 to 2:30 p. m.

Meeting, National Association of Stenotypists, Public Library, 5:30 p. m.

Meeting, membership committee of Chamber of Comerce, in headquarters, 12 m.

Masonic-Mithras Lodge of Perfection, Rabert de Bruce Council, Knights Kadesh, Scottish Rite, Mizpah, No. 8, Eastern Star Masonic-Mithras Lodge of Perfection Reliert de Bruce Council, Knights Kadosh, Scottish Rite, Mizpah, No. 8. Eastern Star. Odd Fellows-Washington, No. 6. Mount Pleasant, No. 22; Golden Rule, No. 21; Amity, No. 27; Fidelity, No. 7. Rebekah, Knights of Pythias-Webster, No. 7. Excelsior, No. 14; Capital, No. 24; Myrtle, No. 25, Maccabees-Brightwood Tent, No. 5, Metropolitan Tent, No. 12.
Woodmen of the World-Mount Vernon Camp, No. 5; Cedar Camp, No. 11.
Ladies of the Maccabees-Victory Hive, No. 12.
Knights of Columbus-Carroll Council, Socialist party-Local Southeast Jewish

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Branch, Woman's Committee lecture by
Mary White on "Socialism."
Meeting, Washington Architectural Club, 1517
H street northwest, 8:20 p. m
Meeting, Day Nursery and Dispensary Association, oak room, Raleigh, 10:10 a.m.
Meeting, Columbia Heights Citizens Association charel of Calvary Methodist Episcopal
Church, Columbia road, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets, & p. Anti-Saloon Lergue of the District. Pethel Literary and Historical Association, Metro-politan A. M. E. Church, S. D. m.

Amusements.

National—"Robin Hood." 2 15 and \$ 15 p m. Belasco—With the Fighting Forces of Europe," motion pictures, 3:50 and 8:30

Tomorrow. meeting. Rubenstein Club, oak

streets northwest, 7.30 p. 10.
Concert, Mrs. R. H. Dalgielsh, small ball room, New Willard, 8 p. 10.
Davec, Home Club, 14 Jackson place north-School 7-20 p. m. Anniversari exercises, Gallaudet College, 3 p. m. Heception, home of president, 4-30 Mecting, Workmen's Circle, Branch 5.3, 811 F. street northwest, 8.15 p.m.
Masonic-King Solomon, No. 31; East Gate, No. 34, Prightwood, No. 9, Royal Arch Marons, Petemse, No. 3, Knights Templar; Arene, No. 10, Eastern Star, Odd Pellows-Eastern, No. 7; Harmony, No. 9, Mount Nebo, No. 6, Encamputent; Befield Assembly Home Circle, Knights of Pythias Mount Vernon, No. 5, Hermotic, No. 12; Friendship Temple, No. 9, Pythian Sisters
Woodmen of the World-Oak Camp, No. 4, Modern Woodmen of the World-Potomac Camp, No. 15146.

Royal Arcanum—Municipal Council, Francis One hundred and fifty boy scouts participated yesterday in the distribution of 5,000 circulars calling upon the public to support the American Red the public the public the public the public the public the public